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## **Glen Canyon** News Release

## **Volunteers Sought to Pitch In for National Public Lands Day**

Glen Canyon Entrance Fees also to be Waived

Page, AZ – Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is looking for volunteers to help celebrate National Public Lands Day this year on Saturday, September 29. In recognition of National Public Lands Day, entrance fees at national park sites nationwide, including Glen Canyon, will be waived on this date.

Three volunteer projects are scheduled in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. The projects include:

- Removing scars left by illegal off road vehicle use near Big Water, Utah, and building a boundary fence to prevent future illegal off road activity. Meet at National Park Service headquarters in Page at 7:30 am for registration. The group will caravan to the project location from there.
- Rebuilding fire rings in the campground at Lees Ferry. Meet at the Lees Ferry Campground at 7:30 am.
- Cleaning up the landscape around the Bullfrog Visitor Center. Meet at the Bullfrog Visitor Center at 7:30 am.

Volunteers should bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, a water bottle, and work gloves. As a thank-you for their efforts, volunteers will receive a coupon to use as a free entry pass into any national park area across America.

In addition, Merle Graffam, an interpretive ranger with Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument, will lead an educational walk for children ages seven and up in Wiregrass Canyon. Kids will learn how to use a GPS unit while searching for prizes and learning about geology and dinosaurs. This will be an opportunity for kids to earn their Junior Ranger badge and Junior Scientist badge. Interested kids and their parents should meet on September 29 at the Wiregrass Canyon Trailhead at 10:30 am.

National Public Lands Day is the only time that entrance fees are waived systematically on public lands throughout the country. Free entrance passes issued at Glen Canyon on September 29 will be valid for the day only. Other special use fees for camping and boating will still apply.

For more information about National Public Lands Day, visit *www.publiclandsday.org*. For more information about events at Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, contact the National Park Service at 928-608-6404.

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